



Delores "Dee" Handy

HANDY SENTENCED IN ELECTION FRAUD CASE

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A Crowley woman has been sentenced in 15th Judicial District Court for election fraud.

Delores "Dee" Handy, 69, of West Seventh Street, was convicted in Early September for "purposely failing to mark an elderly voter's ballot in the manner dictated by said voter."

Handy was sentenced to 11 months in the parish jail, suspended, and placed on two years probation.

"Additionally, the court imposed several special conditions of probation, including an order that Handy is prohibited from assisting any citizen with absentee voting, which we specifically requested," said state Attorney General Jeff Landry.

She also was ordered to pay an \$800 fine plus court costs.

A Misdemeanor Bill of Information initially charged that Handy, on two separate occasions, failed to mark a ballot in accordance with the voter's wishes.

The first incident occurred on Sept. 6, 2018; the second on Sept. 10, 2018. Both of the victims were elderly women who were casting mail-in ballots in the Nov. 6, 2018, elections, which included a number of municipal races in Crowley.

Though the offense occurred in Acadia Parish, the case was transferred to Lafayette Parish by motion of the defendant.

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